MADISONVILLE CREOSOTE WORKS ST. Tammany Parish, Louisiana

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SITE DESCRIPTION __

Location: 2.5 miles west of the City of Madisonville, on Louisiana State Highway 22.

Population: 312 residents within 1 mile radius

Setting: Defunct wood treater facility encompassing 29 acres (Section 42, Township 7S,

Range 10E, St. Tammany Parish, in southeastern Louisiana). The area

surrounding the site is predominantly rural and wooded.

WASTES AND VOLUMES _____

The principal pollutants at the site include polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (creosote compounds).

Source Process Area: (dismantled and disposed September 23, 1996 to January 7, 1997) 371

tons of creosote sludge, 1,512 gallons of creosote sludge, 8,000 gallons of

creosote liquid, 78,602 gallons of contaminated water, 520 tons of

contaminated concrete, 106 tons of contaminated piping/metal, 300 tons of contaminated woodchips, 1 drum containing mercury apparatus, 14 cubic

yards of asbestos containing material.

Soil/Sediment: Excavation from all off-site areas completed. Excavation of on-site areas

underway. Thermal desorption activities underway. Estimated completion

in March/April 2000.

Ground water: Recovery trench system installed. Waste water treatment plant operational.

Systems connection between recovery trench and waste water treatment plant

estimated completion in March 2000.

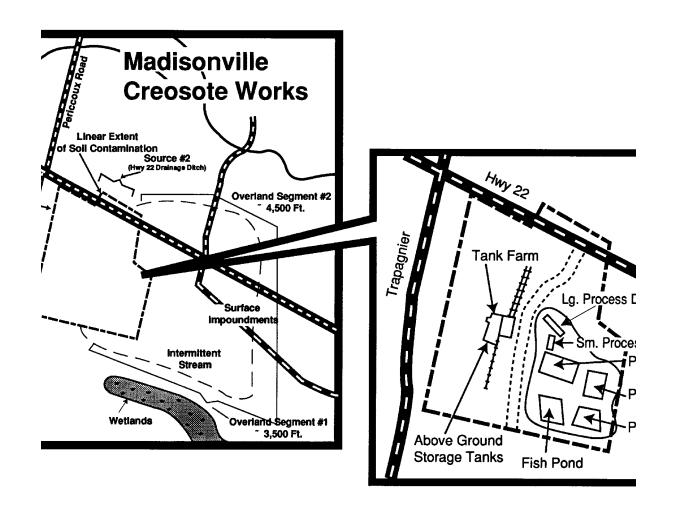
NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST

NPL Inclusion Proposal Date:June 17, 1996

NPL Inclusion Final Date: December 23, 1996

NPL Deletion Proposal Date: n/a NPL Final Deletion Date: n/a

SITE MAP



SITE HISTORY	

This defunct wood treater facility treated timbers with creosote from 1956 to 1994. Responsibility and enforcement for cleanup was transferred to the EPA Superfund Division after unsuccessful negotiations with the identified potentially responsible parties.

ENFORCEMENT HISTORY —

1996: Notice letters for removal action issued to identified potentially responsible parties.

1996: Waiver of special notice for remedial investigation/feasibility study activities issued to identified potentially responsible parties.

PRESENT STATUS AND ISSUES _____

Remedial action to cleanup the site via thermal desorption and recovery trench system. Field activities estimated completion in Spring 2000.

HUMAN HEALTH AND ECOLOGICAL RISK ASSESSMENT.

Cleanup levels set by the EPA Record of Decision ensures a protective level of residential/recreational for the site. More information can be found in:

March 27, 1997: Human Health Risk Assessment and Ecological Screening Risk

Assessment.

September 26, 1997: Remedial Investigation Report (on-site areas).

October 24, 1997: Remedial Investigation Supplemental Sampling Report (off-site areas).

November 18, 1997: Feasibility Study Report. August 25, 1998: Record of Decision.

RECORD OF DECISION _____

The EPA Record of Decision sets cleanup levels to a protective level of residential/recreational for the site. Specifically, it ensures cleanup to a goal of 3 parts per million benzo(a)pyrene equivalents for the majority of all areas (residential level) and 100 parts per million benzo(a)pyrene equivalents for a stream and some subsurface soils (recreational level).

The remedy calls for achieving these numerical goals via thermal desorption and protection of natural drinking water supplies by containing ground water contaminants via a subsurface recovery trench.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT.

Community Relations Plan: August 1997

Open houses and workshops: March 14, 1996; September 10, 1996; February 6, 1997; March 3,

1998; February 11, 1999

Formal Proposed Plan Public Meeting: March 26, 1998

Citizens on site mailing list: 200

Constituency Interest: Nearby residents concerned about personal health and supportive of EPA

efforts.

Site Repository: Madisonville City Hall, 403 St. Francis, Madisonville, Louisiana, 70447,

(504) 845-3636

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT _

Availability Notice: July 1, 1996 Letters of Intent Received: n/a Final Application Received: n/a

Grant Award: n/a

SITE CONTACTS ____

EPA Remedial Project Manager: Stephen Tzhone 214-665-8143 or 1-800-533-3508 EPA Site Attorney: Keith Smith 214-665-8063 or 1-800-533-3508 EPA Community Involvement: Nancy Stonebarger 214-665-6619 or 1-800-533-3508 EPA Contractor: Tetra Tech EM, Inc.

EPA Ombudsman Arnold Ondarza 214-665-6790 or 1-800-533-3508 LDEQ Louisiana State Contact: Chuck Hunter 225-765-0487 or 1-800-763-5424

REALIZED CLEANUP BENEFITS -

Remediation of the contaminated media will substantially reduce the health health and ecological risk associated with the contaminants and protect natural drinking water supplies. Currently, the EPA is working with the City of Madisonville and St. Tammany Parish on potential reuse scenarios for the property in the future.